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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Career Development Staff

SUBJECT: Budgeting For Career Development Slots

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1. In telephone conversations with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and in an interview with [REDACTED] on this date, I have been informed that the Comptroller is preparing a recommendation to the DD/A that the block of Career Development Slots be allocated to the Office of Training. It is the Comptroller's opinion that this would provide the simplest and most effective means of budgeting for development activities under the Career Development Slots and would simplify his problem of accounting for the expenditure of "training" funds.

2. I am also informed that Mr. Baird is willing to accept this proposal as long as it is understood that the proposal is made by the Comptroller provided the arrangement is agreeable to the Personnel Office, DD/A, etc.

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3. [REDACTED] stated that the Comptroller's proposal would be submitted for coordination in the Personnel Office before it goes to the DD/A. He also assured me that the immediate completion of financial arrangements for the three individuals was not dependent upon the approval of the Comptroller's proposal. However, [REDACTED] informed me that OSI, ORR, and OCI have been given a budget symbol to use in these cases which has been assigned to the Office of Training.

4. The main objective which I see to the Comptroller's proposal concerns the possibility that sponsoring offices might be able to relinquish their responsibility for individuals assigned to Career Development Slots and for their reassignment upon completion of their development activities. It may be equally significant that Career Development Slots are not established solely for "training" activities (according to LIO). Perhaps the Comptroller is not aware of this and would find budgetary problems in the expenditure of LIO funds for non-training activities.

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